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[To accompany bill H. R. No. 163.]

March 5, 1840.

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That they have fully examined the petition and papers therewith referred, and also the report of the same committee, made at the last session, favorable to the prayer of said petitioner, and, fully concurring therein, ask leave to report a bill for her relief. The report heretofore made exhibits the facts as follows:

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